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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



**Rev Hilton J Joseph**

The embryonic stages or thoughts of our recently concluded Spiritual Retreat for all of our church workers were coined during my recent furlough. While the thoughts of returning to the pastorate started to formulate in my mind, the Lord shared that the first order of business upon return should be to attend to the spiritual dietary needs of the leaders.

After a period of reflection, I

sought the Reverend Ulric V. Smith of the Antigua Conference to lead us through this retreat under the theme “**Grow with God**”.

As I narrowed my focus to prepare for the retreat, portions of the Gospel of John resonated in my mind: “Yes I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.” (John 15:5, NLT)

Our relationship with God is the ‘spawning’ ground for a purposeful life on the earth and as such we need to understand the seasons we are in. To this end, I share portions of the document that guided the retreat with the hope that it would encourage you to reflect on your own

journey with God.

- Are you connected?
- Are you growing?
- What has stunted your growth?
- Which phase of the journey are you in?

Yours in Pastoral Love  
**Hilton J. Joseph**



### PARKER PALMER'S REFLECTION ON SEASONS

#### From Language to Metaphor

Most of us have a metaphor, conscious or not, that names our experience of life. Animated by the imagination, one of the most

**Provincial Theme**  
*“Advance the Kingdom:*

**Thematic Focus**  
*Live as Kingdom Citizens”*

**Conference Theme**  
*“Pursuing the Blessing:  
 Empowered to do Ministry”*

**Motto:**

**In Essentials**  
*Unity*

**In Non Essentials**  
*Liberty*

**In All Things**  
*Charity*

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vital powers we possess, our metaphors are more than mirrors to reality – they often become reality, transmuting themselves from language into the living of our lives.

I know people who say, “Life is like a game of chance – some win, some lose.” But that metaphor can create a fatalism about losing or an obsession with beating the odds. I know other people who say, “Life is like a battlefield – you get the enemy, or the enemy gets you.” But that metaphor can result in enemies around every corner and a constant sense of siege. We do well to choose our metaphors wisely.

“Seasons” is a wise metaphor for the movement of life, I think. It suggests that life is neither a battlefield nor a game of chance but something infinitely richer, more promising, more real. The notion that our lives are like the eternal cycle of the seasons does not deny the struggle or the joy, the loss or the gain, the darkness or the light, but encourages us to embrace it all – and to find in all of it opportunities for growth.

If we lived close to nature in an agricultural society, the seasons as metaphor and fact would continually frame our lives. But the master metaphor of our era does not come from agriculture – it comes from manufacturing. We do not believe that we “grow” our lives – we believe that we “make” them. Just listen to how we use the word in everyday speech: we make time, make friends, make meaning, make money, make a living, make love.

Alan Watts observed that a Chinese child will ask, “How does a baby grow? ” but an American child will ask, “How do you make a baby?” From an early age we absorb our culture’s arrogant conviction that we manufacture everything, reducing the world to mere “raw material” that lacks all value until we impose our designs and labor on it.

If we accept the notion that our lives are dependent on an inexorable cycle of seasons, on a play of powers that we can conspire with but never control, we run headlong into a culture which insists, against all evidence, that we can make whatever kind of life we want, whenever we want it. Deeper still, we run headlong into our own egos, which want desperately to believe that we are always in charge.

That is one reason why the Fetzer Institute chose Seasons as the name of its Center for Renewal. The Center is a place where people come to challenge and reform the distortions of both culture and ego – reform them toward ways of thinking and doing and being that are rooted in respect for the living ecology of life. Unlike “raw material” on which we make all the demands, this ecology makes demands on us even as it sustains our lives. We are here not only to transform the world but also to be transformed.

Transformation is difficult, so it is good to know that there is comfort as well as challenge in the metaphor of life as a cycle of seasons. Illumined by that image, we see that we are not alone in the universe. We are participants in a vast communion of being, and if we open ourselves to its guidance, we can learn anew how to live in this great and gracious community of truth. We can, and we must – if we want our sciences to be humane, our institutions to be sustaining, our healings to be deep, our lives to be true.

To be continued.



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### **Ministries Within The Church**

#### **Leadership**

Board of Elders  
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#### **Zion Youth Ministry**

Youth Fellowship  
Sunday School  
Girls’ Brigade  
ZMC Dancers  
Feed My Lambs

#### **Ministry In Music**

Zion Junior Choir  
Zion Youth Choir  
Zion Senior Choir  
Zion Combined Choir  
Zion Gospel Singers  
Praise & Worship Team  
Youth Praise Team  
ZMC Steel Band

#### **Other Church Ministries**

Women’s Fellowship  
Dorcas Ministry  
Zion Outreach Ministry  
Bus Ministry  
Bible Study  
Health Care Team  
New Believers Class  
Moravian Senior Club  
Zion Ushers Ministry  
Zion Missions’ Team  
Multimedia Team





## WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP 65TH ANNIVERSARY

### A BLAST FROM THE PAST!



**Sis. Viola Warner**

“Jesus makes my heart rejoice” is indeed great to shout aloud as celebrations of sixty-five (65) years of “Love and Willing Service” do make my heart rejoice to be on the land of the living to witness the Women’s Fellowship attain this milestone. Hitherto hath the Lord kept me to the point to be recognized as the longest serving member of this dynamic ambassadors for Christ.

Sis Viola Warner became a member of the Fellowship under the leadership of Sister Maude Gubi, wife of Bishop Peter Gubi. She recounts that no sooner she’d become a member, Sis Gubi gave her, her first assignment to lead the Fellowship in prayer during a concert that was being held at the church. From that time on there was no turning back and the motto “Love and Willing Service” became even more personal as serving Christ took on a different meaning.

For every activity held by the Fellowship, Sis Warner has played an intricate part in its planning and execution. Her culinary skills saw her preparing confectioneries or special dishes for the Annual Tea Parties or Anniversary Dinners; her creativity was noted in the Annual

Exhibitions, and her entrepreneurship in the sale of goodies from the Harvest Festivals, and the famous “Jumble Sales”.

Sis Warner’s service did not remain within the Fellowship; as such, she soon extended her services to the cleaning of the church, the Mission House and even the Manse. The Preparation for Holy Communion and the cleaning of the vessels after also joined the to do list.

Although she never held any specific position in the Fellowship or church, she served with distinction. Her reliability and dedication won her that respect as the go to person to prepare for visiting pastors on assignment at Zion, or even as head cook for the many church camps and Synods.

It was only but a few years ago when she retired from such active duty. She credits her ability to such dedication to the mercies and grace of her loving Lord and personal Saviour. No wonder the hymn “I could not do without thee” has become her prayer of gratitude especially verse 2

*“I could not do without thee,  
I cannot stand alone,  
I have no strength or goodness,  
No wisdom of my own;  
But Thou beloved Saviour,  
Art all in all to me,  
And perfect strength in weakness  
Is theirs who lean on Thee.*

Her personal encounter with God goes way back as she often speaks to her song of conversion: “Shackled by a Heavy Burden”. She loved the moments when she visited the sick and shut-ins, in their homes or Special Homes for the Aged, as a member of this Fellowship and the Salvation Army Home League, just being able to spread the gospel and bring a cheer to the hearts of these seniors. She continues to serve the Lord faithfully and thankfully, still attending church even though she has lost her sight.

We bless God for her dedicated service as she looks forward to those words as declared in Matthew 25:21 “Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Master (ESV). Nevertheless, all the glory she gives to Jehovah God, her Father and loving Lord!







## PEC REPORTS

### **Bishop Kingsley Lewis: Celebrating Forty-fifth (45<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate**

A Service of Thanksgiving celebrating the Forty-fifth (45<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Albert Kingsley O’Riley Lewis was held at the Spring Gardens Moravian Church, St. John’s Street, St. John’s, Antigua on 15 July 2018 at 4.30 p.m. The liturgist for the Celebration Service was the Rev. Bonnie E.B.W. Smith, Superintendent of the Antigua Conference, while the preacher was Rev. Dr. Frank Alvin Barker. The Organist was Sis. Marion O’Reilly-Byron.



**Bishop Albert Kingsley O’Reilly Lewis** was born in St. John’s, Antigua. He was baptized in infancy at the Spring Gardens Moravian Church where he was nurtured and confirmed on Palm Sunday 1963.

He candidated for the ministry after receiving a Divine call in the summer of 1965.

He was ordained a Deacon at Spring Gardens on the Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, 15 July 1973, by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Edwin W. Kortz and consecrated a Presbyter on 22 August 1978 during the Provincial Synod by the Rt. Rev. John E. Knight at the Zion Moravian Church in Basseterre, St. Kitts. He was elected a

Bishop on August 16, 1999 and consecrated to the episcopate on the day of the Chief Elder’s Festival, November 13, 1999 by the Rt. Rev. Neville C. Brown, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stanley F. Thomas and the Rt. Rev. Robert G. Foster.

He studied for his vocation at the United Theological College of the West Indies in Jamaica. He attended Codrington College in Barbados, and the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, where he read History. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Birmingham, England, and a D. Min from Reformed Theological Seminary, Orlando, Florida. He taught undergraduate courses in West Indian History for the University of the West Indies at the Antigua State College.

He has served congregations in Barbados, Trinidad, St. Thomas, Tortola and Antigua.

During his ministry, he served as Superintendent of the Barbados, Trinidad and Antigua Conferences and as Acting Superintendent of the Tobago Conference.

In 1991, he was elected as a President of the Caribbean Conference of Churches, and Chairman of its Presidium.

In 1993, he was elected to serve as President of the Unity Board of the Worldwide Moravian Church and was re-elected to serve a second term in 1996.

He was elected to the Provincial Elders Conference of the Eastern West Indies Province in 1978 and served until 1996, the last nine years as Chairman of PEC.

Bishop Lewis is married to Maureen née Ranjitsingh. They have two adult children, Marguerite and Albert and three grandsons, Ethan, Kamal and Evan.



### **Hymn of The Month August 2018**

The hymn for the month of August is #716 in the Caribbean Moravian Praise Hymnal, ***Jesus, Our Lord, How Rich Thy Grace.***

It was written by Philip Doddridge. The name of the tune that has been assigned is ***Tudor.***

So often we hear the question, “What’s the church doing about this or that?” The question tends to bring into the focus the official response of the church, as an organism, to social issues that may be plaguing our societies. Drafting statements to provide answers to such questions may be our initial response. However, it ought not to be the only one. In this hymn we are called to realize that as servants of God who have been placed here on earth, we are the ones God will use to minister to those in their need. Though the words of this hymn draw attention to the plight of the poor specifically, the hymn nudges us to broaden our horizon and to see the many ways that God can and will use his people to humbly serve humanity. It is by so doing that we fulfil the law of Christ to love one another. The hymn also reminds us of the words of Jesus in Matthew 25: 40...

***“I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!”***

Below are the words and music for the hymn of the month for August:

***1 Jesus, our Lord, how rich Thy grace!  
Thy bounties how complete!  
How shall we count the matchless sum?  
How pay the mighty debt?***

***2 High on a throne of radiant light  
Dost Thou exalted shine;  
What can our poverty bestow,  
When all the worlds are thine?***

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*3 But Thou hast servants here below,  
The partners of thy grace,  
And wilt confess their humble names  
Before thy Father's face.*

*4 In them Thou mayest be clothed and fed,  
And visited and cheered;  
And in their accents of distress  
Our Saviour's voice is heard.*

*5 Teach us, O Lord, with reverent love,  
Thee in thy poor to see,  
And while we minister to them,  
To do it as to thee.*

*P. Doddridge, d. 1751, a.*

### UTCWI Here I Come!

Mrs. Judy Winspeare Philip has been accepted as a candidate for the Supplementary Ministry of our Church. She entered UTCWI on 23 August 2018 to prepare herself for the Ministry of our Church. She will be at UTCWI for one year. Congratulations!

### The PEC makes the following announcements:

- The Rev. Anique Elmes-Matthew, Pastor of the New Herrnhut Moravian Church on St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands Conference, requested and was granted four months Furlough from 01 July to 31 October 2018 and two years Study Leave from 01 November 2018 to 30 October 2020.
- The Rev. Kirk Barker, Pastor of the Cedar Hall and Cashew Hill Churches in the Antigua Conference, has accepted a call to serve as Pastor of the New Herrnhut Moravian Church on St. Thomas in the Virgin Islands Conference, with effect from 01 November 2018.
- Rev. Roslyn Hamblin, who was Pastor of the Faith Moravian Church

(formerly St. Phillip Fellowship) in the Barbados Conference, is currently serving as Senior Pastor of the Faith and Bethlehem Pastorate in the Barbados Conference with effect from 01 September 2018.

- Pastor David Ince, who recently completed theological training at UTCWI in Jamaica and who will serve in the Supplementary Ministry in the Barbados Conference, currently is serving as Associate Pastor of the Faith and Bethlehem Pastorate in the Barbados Conference with effect from 01 September 2018.
- Rev. Dr. Adrian Smith, who was Pastor of the Calvary and Gracehill Pastorate in the Barbados Conference is currently serving as Senior Pastor of the Calvary and Gracehill Pastorate in the Barbados Conference with effect from 01 September 2018.
- Rev. Delroy Burley, who was Pastor of the Bethlehem Congregation in the Barbados Conference, is currently serving as Associate Pastor of the Calvary and Gracehill Pastorate in the Barbados Conference with effect from 01 September 2018.

Let us remember our brothers and sisters in prayer as they assume their new responsibilities.

- Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Kingsley Lewis, ordained **Pastor Kevin St. Hill** as a **Deacon** in the Moravian Church on **Thursday 30 August 2018 at 7.00 pm** at the Mount Tabor Moravian Church in the Barbados Conference.
- The PEC has requested Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Conrad Spencer, to ordain **Pastor Daniel Mark** as a



**Deacon** in the Moravian Church. The Ordination Service will be held on **Sunday 13 January 2019 at 5.00 pm** at the Moriah Moravian Church in the Tobago Conference.

Let us remember our Brothers in prayer as they prepare for greater service to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

### 32nd Provincial Synod - Bulletin #1

The new date for the 32nd Provincial Synod to be held in Barbados has been set to 12-18 July 2019. The venue where the sessions of Synod will be held is the Duncan C Moore Centre at the Sharon Moravian Church compound.

### Unity Board Meeting

The Unity Board (the heads of all Moravian Provinces Worldwide) will convene in Winston-Salem, North Carolina from 10 to 15 September 2018.

The Unity Board will review the work of the Moravian Church worldwide, receive reports from every Province and Mission Area and seek to develop strategies to deal with challenges that might arise. In addition, the Unity Board will seek ways to grow and develop the Ministries of the Church.

Let us remember our Brothers and Sisters in prayer as they prepare to be of greater service to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.





## SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS



Whether your need is small or great, you are welcome to use God's direct 24-hour hotline — prayer!

His promise is, "Call to me and I will answer you." (Jeremiah 33:3) **This month, let us remember in prayer** the following persons listed below and be reminded that "you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer." (Matthew 21:22)

Sisters Laverne Huggins, Gloria James, Carmen Powell (USVI) and Veronica Stevens and Bro Whitley Williams (USA), and Brother Tonito Lee (UK). Sisters Ellenitta Nathaniel, Eileen Mills, Sylvia Samuel, Beatrice Sargeant, Urlic DeSilva, Dorette Rawlins, Doris Adams, Lydia Roberts, Shirley Douglas, Beverly James, Heather Demming and Eileen Robinson; Brothers Ernest Christopher, Pedro Douglas, Hashim Bertie, Alphonso Archibald and Mr. Walter B Simmonds (St. Kitts).

## SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER

Please remember in prayer our Zion Shut-Ins. Their names are as follows:

Sisters Connie Smith, Brenda Manners, Iris Mc Donald, Eugenie Belgrove-Gumbs, Shirley Phipps, Anita Hobson, and Mavis Deosaw (Overseas).

Brothers Vernon Connor and Peter Byron.



## CELEBRATION CORNER

### September Birthday Celebrants

6th - Sis Beulah Morris and Sis Ayanda and Sis Ayanna Matthew; 8th - Sis Louvina Maynard and Sis Sharon Huggins; 9th - Sis Oretha Charles, Bro Jermaine James; 10th - Bro Zaavan Hobson and Sis Kadajah Warner; 11th - Sis Makaila Abbott and Sis Joycelyn Clarke; 13th - Sis Yvonne Taylor-Hanley, Sis Muriel Warner-Browne and Sis Kathleen Tait; 16th - Sis Janice Wattley, 19th - Sis Nizhoni Henry, Sis Tahmaju Welcome and Bro Juslyn Daniel; 20th - Sis Karimu Byron-Caines, 22nd - Sis Asha DeSuza, Sis Dahneira Sutton-Hodge and Sis Viola Stevens; 23rd - Sis Eileen Mills; 24th - Sis Tiffany Paul (Trinidad), 25th - Sis Akilah Byron-Nisbett, Bro Antonio Laws; 28th - Sis Mercy Francis; 30th - Sis Vida Casey and Sis Greta Godwin-Williams.

### September Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

12th September ..... Bro & Sis Alex Duggins  
15th September ..... Bro Lloyd & Sis Cynthia Matthew  
16th September ..... Bro Calvin & Sis Veronica Martin  
19th September ..... Bro Stanley & Sis Sonia Finley  
22nd September ..... Bro Osbert & Sis Caroline DeSuza  
29th September ..... Bro Alexis & Sis Akilah Nisbett

## COLLEGE PRAYER WATCH



*Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him (James 1:12 (NIV)).* Studying abroad and being away from family and loved ones is a stressful time for many students. Hence, this is why the Zion Community is asking members of the Congregation to bear up in prayer our student members studying overseas. Their names are as follows:-

### UNITED STATES

Sis Ycole BonCamper  
Sis Evah Liburd-Barzey  
Sis Akila Moore  
Sis Tarhia Slack  
Bro Christian Nathaniel  
Bro Glassil DeSilva  
Sis Daria James  
Sis. Kadeema Blanchette

### CANADA

Bro Hassanni Lapsey

### ST. THOMAS, USVI

Sis Jamilla Connor

### TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

Sis Junika Berry

### JAMAICA

Bro Kyle Bradshaw  
Sis Tonya DeSuza





# FOR YOUR CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER 2018



### Shut-in Communion

Shut-in Communion will be held on **Tuesday 04 September 2018** from **09:30 am to 12:00 noon**.

### Church Ministries

- **Confirmation Class** will be on break until 10 September 2018.
- **Girls' and Boys' Brigade** will resume on 03 September 2018.
- **Moravian Senior Club** meets on Tuesdays at the Methodist Church Hall, Seaton Street, Basseterre from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.
- **Women's Fellowship** meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month at 5:00 pm.
- Our regular **Congregational Bible Study** will be replaced by Conference Bible Study.
- **Mid-week Sunrise Devotions** continue on Wednesdays at 6:00 am.
- **Prayer and Fasting** continues on Wednesdays from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm.
- **Oasis Moments** will resume on Wednesday 05 September from 12 noon to 12:50 pm.
- **Uprisers - Children's Ministry** is on break until 12 September 2018.
- **Junior Choir** will resume on Friday 07 September 2018 at 5:00 pm.
- **Youth Fellowship** is on break until 14 September 2018.

### St. Kitts Outreach Centre

The **Moravians** are responsible for ministering at the **St. Kitts Outreach Centre** during the period **10 to 14 September 2018**. Members are asked to assist wherever possible.

### Zion Missionary 2018

Zion Missionary 2018 was launched Sunday 01 April 2018. During the Service for each month, a colour offering will be taken. Please note the colour offerings which are to be taken monthly from April to December 2018.

- **Green – April and September**
- **Blue – May and October**
- **Purple – June and November**
- **Orange – July and December**

The colour for the month of September is **'Green'**.

### Missionary Outreach Sunday

Missionary 'Each One, Reach One' Outreach Sundays will be held every last Sunday of each month. Bring someone to church wearing shades of the colour of the offering for each month. This month's colour will be green.

### Missionary Open Air Services

The next Missionary Open Air Service will be held on **Sunday 14 October 2018** at **Taylor's/Bladen Housing** and will be conducted by the Board of Stewards.

### Blessings of School Bags, Distribution of School Supplies and Scholarship Sunday

As we prepare for the new school term, the aforementioned items will be blessed today, 02 September 2018.

### Conference Bible Study

The Conference Bible Study on the Book of Colossians continues on Wednesdays at the Bethesda Moravian Church at 7:00 pm.

Upon reflection, the ministerial staff agreed that when the study on the Book of Colossians ends, the Conference will continue to meet on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at the Bethesda Congregation in Cayon for study. This will therefore eliminate the individual Congregational Bible Study sessions. Let us pray for this new ministry in the Moravian Church St. Kitts.

### Missionary Dates to Remember

- Mentorship Programme Revisited – Month of September 2018.
- Pastor's Walk & Breakfast – 10 November 2018.

### Revive Convo

Two weeks of revival services under the theme 'The Breaking' will be held from 01 to 12 October 2018 as follows:

- 01-04 October – Services at the Zion Congregation.
- 05-07 October – Youth Convention tagged "Youth Quake". The main facilitator will be the gospel artiste **Anthony "Rizon" Gibson** of Trinidad.
  - 05 – Concert of Praise at Zion Moravian Church.
  - 06 – Youth Sessions at Bethesda Moravian Church.
  - 07 – Youth Service and Luncheon at Bethesda Moravian Church.
- 08-12 October – Services at the Estridge Congregation.

Speakers will be **Rev. Denise Smith-Lewis** (Antigua Moravian Conference) and **Evangelist Philbert Whyman** (Jamaica).

We are soliciting your prayers that indeed the Spirit of God will pour out His glory and presence on us, and that hearts would be receptive, reviving us for the great work that is ahead – for God is doing a great work.

We also need your financial help and we are challenging 500 persons to give at least fifty dollars (\$50.00) toward Revive Convo. This money may be left at your church office.

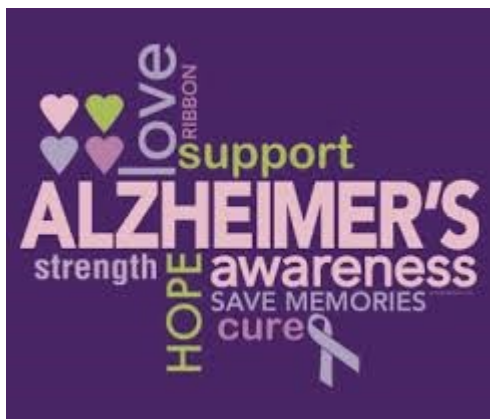
We are believing God for great things – a mighty outpouring of His Spirit.







## WORLD ALZHEIMER'S MONTH



affect memory, thinking, behaviour and emotion. Early symptoms of dementia can include memory loss, difficulty in performing familiar tasks, problems with language and changes in personality.

There is currently no cure for dementia, but a range of support is available for people with dementia and their carers. Dementia knows no social, economic or ethnic boundaries. It is estimated that currently there are more than forty-six million people worldwide with dementia. The number of people so affected is set to rise to one hundred and thirty-one million by 2050. There is one new case world-wide every three seconds.

The world-wide costs of dementia are estimated at US dollars eighty hundred and eighteen billion. (If it were a country, it would be about the world's 18<sup>th</sup> largest economy).

World Alzheimer's Month is observed in September every year. World Alzheimer's Month was launched in September 2012 by Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI) of the United Kingdom. The decision to introduce the full month to contain the existing World Alzheimer's Day was made to enable national and local Alzheimer's Associations world-wide to extend the reach of the awareness programmes over a longer period of time. World Alzheimer's Day is 21 September each year. While World Alzheimer's Month offers a longer period of time for Alzheimer's associations worldwide to raise awareness, World Alzheimer's Day marks the pinnacle of the month.

World Alzheimer's Month unites opinion leaders, people with dementia, their caregivers and family, medical professionals, researchers and other media from all around the world.

Having a globally co-ordinated awareness month and day sends a strong message to governments and policymakers alerting them to the fact that dementia is a serious health issue which would have severe implications on services and health systems around the world, as the world's population grows older. In addition to focusing on a different message or theme each year, the month can be used to educate and challenge people's misconceptions about dementia.

September (World Alzheimer's Month) provides opportunities for Alzheimer's associations around the world to gain recognition and credibility for the work they do, placing themselves in a stronger position to influence opinion leaders and governments.

### What is Alzheimer's Disease?

Alzheimer's Disease is the most common form of dementia and represents about sixty percent (60%) to seventy percent (70%) of all dementias.

Dementia is a term used to describe different brain disorders that

Dementia is often hidden away, not spoken about, or ignored at a time when the person living with dementia and their family carers are most in need of support within their families, friendship groups and communities.

The social stigma is a consequence of a lack of knowledge about dementia and it can have numerous long and short-term effects including: -

- de-humanization of the person with dementia,
- strains within family and friendships,
- a lack of sufficient care for people with dementia and their carers,
- a lower rate of diagnosis of dementia and delayed diagnosis and support.

The stigmatization of dementia is a global problem and it is clear that the less we talk about dementia the more the stigma grows. This World Alzheimer's Month we encourage you to find out more and play your part in reducing the stigma and improving the lives of people with dementia and their carers in the community.

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# OUTREACH SUNDAY —A MEAL TO THE LESS FORTUNATE CITIZENS





# YOUTH CONNECTION – BACK TO SCHOOL: A BACKPACK FULL OF WORRIES



**Memory Verse:** *Praise be to the Lord, to God our Saviour, who daily bears our burdens.* Psalm 68:19

School starts tomorrow (03 September) and I am sure that most of you will be back to your daily routine. I know that most of you use a backpack to carry all your school supplies and books back and forth to school. I see some children with backpacks that are almost as big as they are! Sometimes their backpacks are so loaded with all those heavy books that it is just about more than they can carry!

Life is a lot like that too. Sometimes we have some pretty heavy burdens that we try to carry around with us. Some of you may be worried that you will not have any friends in your class, or that the other kids will not like you, or that you may not fit in. Maybe some of you are worried that you do not have new school uniforms. Maybe you are still wearing a no name brand sneaker and all the other kids are wearing Nike, Puma, Adidas, etc. Maybe some of you are worried that you might not be able to do the work in your new grade and are afraid you might fail. Those can be heavy problems to carry around.

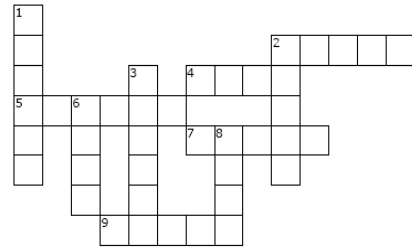
Well, I have some good news for you! You do not have to carry all those worries around with you! The Bible tells us that God will carry those burdens for us. So, when you start school this week with a load of worries and problems, know this, you can give them to Jesus. He will carry them for you.

**Prayer:** *Lord, we are thankful that we do not have to carry the heavy burdens of life around on our backs. This morning we give them to you. Amen.*



For my yoke is easy and  
my burden is light.  
Matthew 11:30

## Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- Not heavy
- The opposite of go
- A heavy load that you carry
- The place within a person where their feelings or emotions are
- Very tired, especially after working hard for a long time

### DOWN

- Not proud or not believing that you are important
- To get knowledge or skill about a subject
- Calm, kind or soft; not violent
- Stop and relax to regain your strength
- Not difficult

WEARY	HUMBLE	EASY	BURDEN	REST
COME	HEART	LIGHT	GENTLE	LEARN

## Word Search Puzzle

F Q N E Y M Y V K K D X G X E  
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 W O Q F A V E I E D T E O R Z  
 Y M O E V B N Y Q Q K C T B V  
 F N W L S W T H V A D C M U W  
 P H K G R O L E T R W T F R D  
 E M G I B U E A G E W W R D A  
 Z A A V G P S R R W C H V E Y  
 M S S E Z J Z T F E C W L N T  
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 X C C O I I Y X M J F I A A K  
 E I Z A U S S L Y J K E G Y D  
 Y I J O L L V N I X L E R H V  
 W G T R L L S K E R E S T K T

HUMBLE	ALL	LEARN	LIGHT	YOKE
SOULS	WEARY	GENTLE	TAKE	HEART
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## INSTRUMENT OF PEACE



### **35th Independence Anniversary Theme – “Love, Service, Patriotism and Pride: Independence 35”**

Brothers and Sisters, “Happy Independence!” in advance.



As we reflect on our Nation’s progress throughout the past 35 years, let us focus on the following text from the well-known hymn titled *A Mighty Fortress is Our God*. We give God thanks that we continue to make strides in our economic development and overall sustainability. As we celebrate our Independence, we pray that our people will exalt Your name, rise and support the call for peace within our Federation. Our people must not forget that we are all mandated to play our respective roles in creating a positive environment for all of our citizens.

Do your part! Say a prayer for St. Kitts-Nevis. Say a prayer for our Government and the Opposition. Say a special prayer for our Nation’s children and young adults. Say a prayer for the citizenry. Say a prayer for our churches. We move forward steadfastly knowing that our God is a fortress and a strong tower. Glory to His name. Give thanks unto Him.

#### **1 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,**

*a bulwark never failing;  
our helper he, amid the flood  
of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe  
does seek to work us woe;  
his craft and power are great,  
and armed with cruel hate,  
on earth is not his equal.*

#### **2 Did we in our own strength confide,**

*our striving would be losing,  
were not the right Man on our side,  
the Man of God's own choosing.  
You ask who that may be?  
Christ Jesus, it is he;  
Lord Sabaoth his name,  
from age to age the same;  
and he must win the battle.*

#### **3 And though this world, with devils filled,**

*should threaten to undo us,  
we will not fear, for God has willed  
his truth to triumph through us.  
The prince of darkness grim,  
we tremble not for him;  
his rage we can endure,*

*for lo! his doom is sure;  
one little word shall fell him.*

#### **4 That Word above all earthly powers**

*no thanks to them abideth;  
the Spirit and the gifts are ours  
through him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go,  
this mortal life also;  
the body they may kill:  
God's truth abideth still;  
his kingdom is forever!*

**Author: Martin Luther (1529)**

**Translator: Frederick H Hedge (1852)**

**Tune: EIN FESTE BURG**

*~Contributed by a VOZ Member*



**The Leadership and Membership of the Zion Moravian Church** express condolences to:

**Sis Akila Moore, Sis Carol Saddler and Family** on the passing of:

**Mr. Yvonet Moore**  
(Father, Friend)

**Bro Ridley Pennyfeather Jr, Sis Katrine Pennyfeather and the Pennyfeather Family** of St. Kitts and Canada on the passing of:

**Brother Allan Pennyfeather**  
(Brother, Brother-in-law )

**Sis Mia Lapsey and Family** on the passing of:

**“Fabian Sylvester Williams”**  
(Cousin)

**Brother, the Honourable Ian Liburd and family** on the passing of:

**Mickail Liburd**  
(Son)



*“The Lord is your rock, your fortress and your stronghold.”*

Brother and Sisters, may the Lord grant you Peace in these trying times.





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**Sunday 02 September 2018  
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**



**Watchword for the Week:** - Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger. **James 1:19**

**Scripture Reading:** Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9; Psalm 15; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:108, 14-15, 21-23.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek the Lord shall praise him. **Psalm 22:26**

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty". **John 6:35**

**Prayer:** God of the hungry, you invite all as one community of faith to the table. We praise you for the diversity of your family and for your faithfulness in feeding all of us, your children. **Amen**

**Sunday 2nd September 2018 (15th Sunday after Pentecost)**

**Pastor & Celebrant: Rev. Hilton J. Joseph**

**Preacher/Retreat Leader: Rev. Ulric V. Smith II**

**ORDER OF SERVICE**

**Call to Worship**

Hymn #466.....Praise To The Lord The Almighty

Song.....The Love Of God

Prayer of Approach

Song.....You Are My Strength When I Am Weak

**Meditation.....Rev. Ulric V. Smith II**

Item of Praise.....Sis. Kendra DeSilva

**Meditation.....Rev. Ulric V. Smith II**

Dance.....Sis. Kadeema Blanchette

**Meditation.....Rev. Ulric V. Smith II**

Song.....Hold Me Close

**The Challenge: Recommitting to the Work**

**Cup of Covenant**

Song.....It Only Takes A Spark

Hymn #444.....Christian Hearts In Love United

Hymn #450.....Blest Be The Tie That Binds

Hymn #235.....Take My Life And Let It Be

Song.....To The Work To The Work

Hymn #185.....Through The Love Of God Our Saviour

**Celebratory Activities**

Blessing of Book Bags and Gifts

Dedicatory Prayer for the New School Year

Hymn #302.....Be Thou My Vision

**Worship in Giving**

Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Dedication

Welcome and Celebration

Notices

Hymn #240.....I'm Pressing On The Upward Way

Blessing and Benediction